Amendment No. 3 to SJR0183

Norris Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Joint Resolution No. 183*

by deleting the first resolving clause in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that a majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed that the Constitution of Tennessee be amended:

By deleting Section 3 of Article VI and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 3. Each judge of the Supreme Court or any intermediate appellate court shall be appointed based on merit by the governor with concurrence of the Legislature. Thereafter, the judge shall be elected in a retention election by a majority of the votes cast by the qualified voters of the state in that judge's election. The Legislature shall have the power to prescribe such provisions as may be necessary to carry out sections two and three of this article. Each judge shall be at least thirty-five years of age and shall have been a resident of the state for five years before the appointment. The term of service shall be eight years.